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Gentlemen:-

For the past eight years we have been testing and breeding hardy Chrysanthemums. Our aim has been to test all of the varieties on the market and rogue out all those that did not meet our specific standards for hardiness, season, color, growing habit, resistance to disease, substance and length of season. From the few remaining varieties we have made thousands of individual hand pollinated crosses from which we grow many thousands of seedlings each year. From these only a few are saved and these are crossed with themselves or standard varieties and sometimes recrossed to produce the new varieties we now are offering and have under trial.

We offer for the first time to the Wholesale trade the following list of our own new varieties and some of the better varieties on the market. All of these have been carefully tested for all growing habits and in addition have been proven popular with the retail trade at our annual Chrysanthemum Show which is attended by about 10,000 persons each fall who indicate by their purchases those varieties that are most popular. For these reasons we feel it our duty to acquaint you with these new and better varieties and urge you to try them.

Our propagating facilities, available labor and propagation material will not allow us to propagate as many of some kinds as we will be able to sell so we suggest you send your order at once and specify shipping date. We will try and fill all orders on date desired or will advise you what date we can ship.

Yours for better Mums,

HILL TOP ORCHARDS & NURSERIES

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NEW "HILL TOP" ORIGINATIONS

EARLY JOAN HELEN (#51, Jo x Jo). Distinctly new and different is this unusually brilliant large semi-double Mum. Blossoms are produced in such profusion that the plant becomes a 18 inch mound of sparkling beauty. Flowers are a rich velvety *Garnet Lake color shading to *Rhododendron Purple with a bright yellow center. The plant produces healthy rich green foliage and makes an attractive plant long before flowers appear. Blooms in late Sept. and early October. We can assure you that this variety will command a leading place on your list after the first flowering season. It is ideal for borders, potting and cutting.

Rooted cuttings, 100 for \$25.00; 1000 for \$200.00.

EVENING SUN (#230, Dr-S). Very unusual, large single flowers carried erect on shapely well rounded plants 2 ft. high. *Carnelian red shading to burndt orange made more intense by the golden center and lemon yellow halo in contrast with the large dark green leaves results in a display of color that rivals the evening sun. In full bloom early October.

Rooted cuttings, 100 for \$20.00; 1000 for \$150.00.

AUTUMN TIDE (#29, Og x Am). The early blooms of this outstanding double flowered chrysanthemum vary in shade from a rich burnt orange to a pleasing shade of vermillion and as the season advances gradually changes to apricot blended with coral with a golden undertone. The branchy well shaped plants produce a profusion of blossoms from early Sept. throughout the season. Flowers are excellent for cutting.

Rooted cuttings, 100 for \$20.00; 1000 for \$150.00.

LITTLE ESKIMO (#79, SW x SB). This dainty little white beauty is ideal for your garden and for arranging alone or with any other flowers. It is a low spreading variety growing 12 inches high, hardy. Pure white ball shaped flowers 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches in diameter that do not fade to pink are produced abundantly during August and Sept.

Rooted cuttings, 100 for \$20.00; 1000 for \$150.00.

WHITE KNIGHT (#449, Og x JC). One of our seedlings that fills a long felt need for a large double white. A loose upright bush producing a nice crop of double 3 inch blooms of pure white with just a slight tinge of cream at the center. Flowers early starting in mid September.

Rooted cuttings, 100 for \$20.00; 1000 for \$150.00.

HONEY GIRL # 57 Large 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch semi-double flowers of a showy honey-amber color produced in clusters on long upright stems. Excellent for cutting. Early.

Rooted cuttings, 100 for \$20.00; 1000 for \$150.00.

25 cuttings at the 100 rate; more than 100 at 1000 rate.

* Ridgway Color Guide.